

# JUSTICE CABINET DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

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### I. POLICY

Youth shall be screened for ectoparasitic infestation at the time of admission. Youth may be treated with a delousing product at the discretion of the Registered Nurse and primary health care provider.

### II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to group homes and youth development centers and shall govern the actions of detention centers in complying with DJJPP Chapter 7 (Intake, Reception and Orientation).

# **LIMITED APPLICABILITY**

In day treatment programs, infected youth shall be released to the parent for appropriate medical treatment. A medical release from an attending physician may be required for readmission into the program. Environmental treatment may be administered in accordance with protocol approved by the Medical Director.

## III. DEFINITIONS

Refer to Chapter 400.

# IV. PROCEDURES

- A. Upon admission the youth shall be screened by staff for ectoparasite infestation according to protocol approved by the Medical Director.
- B. The facility nurse or primary health care provider shall be consulted if results of screening are questionable.
- C. Youth shall be questioned concerning allergies to delousing ingredients or previous delousing treatments prior to the application of any delousing product.
- D. Females shall be screened for pregnancy using a urine test prior to the application of any delousing product.

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- E. If de-lousing is done, a primary health care provider's order shall designate the product to be used. Package instructions shall be followed.
- F. If environmental treatment is needed, all clothing and linen shall be carefully removed and laundered in hot, soapy water, and dried in the dryer.
- G. Upholstered furniture and rugs may be sprayed with a product designed for that use.
- H. Youth exposed shall be treated with a pediculicide according to primary health care provider's orders.
- I. A youth shall be exempt from this treatment if any of the following conditions are present;
  - 1. Documented allergy to previous delousing ingredients or precautions as listed by manufacturer;
  - 2. Skin rash over a significant portion of the body;
  - 3. Open lesions (a small open lesion may be covered with an occlusive/waterproof bandage.); or
  - 4. Pregnancy (a urine test shall be given prior to treatment).
- J. A careful inspection of the youth's hair and body for lice shall be done for any youth not treated due to any of the previously stated conditions.
- K. Treatment procedures for ectoparasite control beyond those stated above shall require advance approval by the Medical Director or designee.

### V. MONITORING MECHANISM

Monitoring shall be accomplished by the Registered Nurse, Superintendent, and Medical Director or designee.